

Cambridge within  
a fortnight to come.

It had a great pleasure  
in seeing, though for a  
few moments, Mrs Gray  
at our friend the Torrey's.  
I trust she has arrived  
safely to your delightful  
home. Pray tender her  
Mr Sandeys's kindest  
regards & receive gratefully  
the renewed assurance of  
my cordial feelings.

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Princeton N. J.

Thursday morning

May 24<sup>th</sup>.

My dear Doctor,

Tuesday night on my  
return from New York, where  
I have a course of lectures  
still unfinished, I found your <sup>lines</sup>  
of May 19<sup>th</sup>. I had by no  
means forgotten my promise  
to send an abstract of my  
paper on Britton, but my  
New York lectures, combined with  
two courses going on in Princeton  
& the final examination of

our Senior Acad just  
dismissed, absolutely prevented  
me from sending it before  
today.

Not having the time to  
recompose a new article, I  
send a simple abstract of  
my paper, reduced to nearly  
one quarter of its original  
extent. As in this form  
it will ~~be~~ probably be <sup>still</sup> much  
too extensive, I thought I  
had better leave to ~~the~~  
worthy president the choice

of the materials that  
will best suit his purpose  
& the tenor of the rest of  
his address. By making  
a selection of the paragraphs  
he may still reduce it  
until it comes within the  
proper bounds.

As I have one week  
more to lecture in New York,  
I shall be deprived of the  
pleasure of attending  
the last meeting of the Academy  
but I hope to see you in